

STATE OF TEXAS §
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CITY OF ARANSAS PASS §

On this the 15th day of December, 2014 the City Council of the City of Aransas Pass convened in a Regular Meeting being open to the Public at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject hereof having been posted and prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following attendance to wit constituting a quorum.

PRESENT:	Adan Chapa	Mayor
	Vickie Abrego	Mayor Pro Tem
	Ramiro Gomez	Council Member
	Billy Ellis	Council Member
	Phillip Hyatt	Council Member

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT:	Allen Lawrence	City Attorney
	Sylvia Carrillo	City Manager

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL ABSENT:	Yvonne Stonebraker	City Secretary
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STAFF PRESENT:	Amanda Torres	Administrative Assistant
	Bill Haines	Emergency Mgmt Coordinator
	Eric Blanchard	Police Chief
	Manuela Camarillo	Parks & Recreation Director
	Robert Brake	Code Compliance Officer
	Lynn Pearce	Police Department
	Michael Holmes	Building Official
	J.P. Gonzales	Head Meter Reader
	Cory Elrod	Code Compliance Officer
	Donna Cox	Finance Director
	Justin Prado	Police Department
	Daniel Piper	Police Department
	David Piper	Police Department
	Jordan Lusk	Police Department
	Rick Kilgore	Fire Chief
	Brooke Ostrom	Social Media Intern
	Marvin Leister	IT Intern

OTHERS PRESENT:	Commissioner Jack Chaney/Aransas County, Juan Perales, Jr./LNV, James Hollan/Aransas Autoplex, Polly Mirkovich, Arnulfo & Olivia Torres, Chris Coulter/Chris' Marine, Sam & Carol Le, Sylvia Tang, Ricky White, Priscilla White, Steven Warren, Irma Hernandez Schreiner, Hal Jones, Billy Chambers, Michael Bazan, Patsy Lawrence, Amber Pember, Bill Denton/Allen Samuels
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There may have been others present who did not sign in.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mayor Chapa opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG.**

Mayor Chapa led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

12. **CITY MANAGER UPDATES: YEAR IN REVIEW**

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo gave the Year in Review for 2014. She explained it was a small snapshot of everything done this year. Annexation expected to double the footprint of the City in next few years. Design for water line extensions on FM 2725 and FM 1069 is complete. Money was added to the FM 1069 expansion plans. The Matlock water line has also been completed and additional hydrants were included. Phase 2 of water line improvements at Beasley and Rhodes are soon to follow. There should be a shovel in ground in March. Subdivisions are reliant on those lines. Fiber will connect City Hall to the Public Works building.

The City's Bond rating improved to AA-. Because of this, the City received a lower interest rate at the last bond sale, 1.89%. There was no increase in taxes but there was an increase water/sewer rates. Also new fees for EMS and Drainage were included. Last year's budget yielded an estimated \$375,000 surplus. A new auditor and new finance director came on board. The Building Standards Board was created. Lighting and landscape ordinances were also created. Several community cleanups were conducted, including a \$1.2 million cleanup on Harbor. Environmental programs on the Harbor are continuing. There is an estimated \$235,000 in bulkhead repair. The City is engaging litigation for work at Harbor Park. Diamond Marine is the newest tenant.

The 2012 Building Codes were approved this year. Mobile homes are no longer allowed in single family zoning. The camping ordinance modified, and the City is working with county courts on ETJ regulation. The library is being revamped. Updates are being done at Veterans Memorial Park and Community Park. The big 4th of July celebration and Thanksgiving Feast were a success. Over 500 people were served at the Feast. The City is planning a Children's Christmas event in conjunction with the school district.

Hotel/motel funds were awarded to Rock the Dock, Wounded Warrior, and the Rudy's Redfish tournament. There were record crowds at Shrimpooree. The Linebarger contract was renewed, along with the Republic contract which was renewed with cost savings. Two engineering contracts were approved—LNV and RVE. MPA students at TAMUCC did a performance review of the Aquatic Center. A water conservation plan was approved. The first ever Citizens' Academy was held in the fall. There is improved technology in the police department. The Civic Center earned record revenue. A new truck is on order for the Fire Department. Additionally, their schedule has been improved and there is new volunteer staffing. And the list goes on!

3. **CONSENT AGENDA – "ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED WITH ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILMEMBER SO REQUESTS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY".**

- A. **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-4097 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SEC. 10-300 "DEFINITION AND EXPLANATIONS APPLICABLE TO USE SCHEDULE"; SUBSECTION 10-202 (21) "HOME OCCUPATION" OF ORDINANCE NO. 1308 THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS TO REDEFINE THE DEFINITION OF HOME OCCUPATION; ASSIGNING ZONING DISTRICTS WHERE HOME OCCUPATION IS AN APPROVED USE WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
- B. **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-4098 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 22 – PERSONNEL, SECTION 3.3 ATTENDANCE, SUB-ITEM (B4) OF THE CITY PERSONNEL POLICY TO REFLECT PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CURRENT FIRE DEPARTMENT PAY SCHEDULE, PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Motion Made By: Council member Phillip Hyatt
Seconded By: Council member Billy Ellis
Votes: Aye - Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: Council member Phillip Hyatt made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda.
Council member Billy Ellis seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS.

Name: Jeff Berger

Address: Iron Gator, Lot 107

Concern: Mr. Berger had a question about the ambulance fee on the water bill and wanted to know what the fee was all about. City Manager Carrillo responded that the fee offsets the cost of the agreement between Tri-County EMS and the City to service its citizens with ambulance services.

Departments Affected: Water/Sewer, Finance, EMS

Name: Polly Mirkovich

Address: Pelican's Cove

Concern: Ms. Mirkovich explained that she appreciated our police department and thought they were doing a good job. They are great guys. She stated seniors like computers. Some of her friends want accidents listed on the police blotter and the ability to look at the city council agendas. She also stated there were potential problems on Avenue A and Wheeler. She is afraid it is too dangerous by Church's Chicken. She stated Wheeler needs to be looked at and doesn't want a higher speed limit. She stated there was a terrible wreck a few years back. Police Chief Blanchard explained that the accidents were on the blotter but he was still working on a seamless transition. The City is talking with TxDOT this week, as well as the school district involved with the bus stop. Mayor Chapa also commented, encouraging the department to keep up the good work.

Departments Affected:

Name: Commissioner Jack Chaney

Address: Aransas County

Concern: Commissioner Chaney stated he was proud to have part of Aransas Pass in his precinct. He enjoyed the presentation given by the City Manager. He has been watching Aransas Pass for a long time. He has seen Aransas Pass right on the verge of doing something magnificent but we are there now. This is a time in the life of Aransas Pass that we may never see again. Jobs are coming that would allow children to stay in the area and make a good living. This is a great degree because of the City's current leadership. The health of community lies with the City Council. The City has an excellent city manager and police chief. They are striving for excellence beyond what is expected. This community is on the verge of greatness. They have the opportunity to change the look of Aransas Pass into the next 50 years. He applauded the City Council for fore-thinking and working as a unit with a common mind. He has the best interest of Aransas Pass in mind and compliments on an excellent year.

Departments Affected:

Name: Chris Coulter

Address: Aransas Pass

Concern: Mr. Coulter wanted an explanation on the Hotel/Motel Tax contribution toward the Rudy's Redfish Tournament. He thought the City didn't give any money. He footed bill for entire thing. He also commented that the City was doing excellent job, especially Chief Blanchard. He didn't want to be double whammied for something that the City paid for.

Departments Affected: Finance

Name: Ernie Torres

Address: Aransas Pass

Concern: Mr. Torres stated he had a concern about North and South Commercial (ten blocks both ways) and North and South Houston. Most along the road have curbs and property that are overgrown. Some don't want to cut their yards but somebody needs to take responsibility. He said that it is just a big mess—too much debris, too much trash that is not being picked up. Homeowners have to know what their responsibilities are. Also, other property owners are putting from 5-10 cars and it looks like a junk yard. He said he would like to see responsibility fulfilled.

Departments Affected: Code Enforcement

Name: Steven Warren

Address: Aransas Pass

Concern: Mr. Warren stated he had noticed that some local newspapers publish their city's police blotter. Chief Blanchard responded that the department had something in the works. Mr. Warren was also concerned about mowing on Pryor and Houston. He said that the property hasn't been mowed in two years and it looks really bad. The City should charge the owners of property. Mayor Chapa responded that the City's free mobile app can be used to report concerns and help City staff locate where it is at. The concern will be directed to the right department head to be handled.

Departments Affected: Police Department, Code Enforcement

Name: Mayor Adan Chapa

Address: Aransas Pass

Concern: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. The Mayor said he was proud to be here. He advised the audience to avoid rumors and come to the council meeting. Listen to it online. It is the best way to kill all rumors. He said he was proud of the growth of Aransas Pass. There is a lot of hope, promise, and work to be done behind the scenes. This place is respectable and has great promise for youth.

Departments Affected:

5. RECOGNITION PRESENTATION:

A. FIRE DEPARTMENT

B. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Discussion: Fire Chief Rick Kilgore thanked the police department for all the help throughout the year. Chief Blanchard responded that he appreciated that and commented that the police and fire departments maintained a high level of camaraderie.

Chief Blanchard also presented two awards to Officer Daniel Piper and Citizen Fred Shaw. On October 19, 2014, there was a motorist in town who was distressed and had a virus attacking his brain. The officer and citizen's response contributed greatly to saving his life. Chief Blanchard showed a video showing part of the incident. A life-saving award was presented to Officer Daniel Piper. Fred Shaw presented an award and a letter of appreciation.

6. CONSIDER AND ACT ON MOVING THE JANUARY 19, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO JANUARY 22, 2015.

Motion Made By: Mayor Pro Tem Abrego

Seconded By: Council member Hyatt

Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo explained that changing the January 19 meeting to January 26 would coincide with the Harbor Bulkhead Grant schedule. The bid for construction would be awarded that night instead of holding a special session after the originally scheduled January 19 meeting. Both meetings would be combined on January 26. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego made a motion to move the January 19, 2015 City Council meeting to January 26, 2015. Council member Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

7. CONSIDER AND ACT ON NOMINATING EIGHT BOARD MEMBERS TO THE 2015-2016 TCAP BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Motion Made By: Mayor Pro Tem Abrego

Seconded By: Council member Ellis

Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo explained this was a housekeeping item. The item is to vote for the folks on the electrical co-op the City uses. None of the candidates were familiar. Mayor Chapa asked how the council would know if they are good. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego made a motion to nominate the top eight listed candidates. Council member Ellis seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

8. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS AND THE COASTAL BEND COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS SOLID WASTE GRANT LOCAL ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT PURCHASE.**

Motion Made By: Mayor Pro Tem Abrego
Seconded By: Council member Gomez
Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa
Nay

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo explained that Officer Robert Brake recently took it upon himself to apply for a solid waste grant from the Coastal Bend Council of Governments to finance an ATV for places that are not reachable by vehicle. The grant was awarded to the City. Mayor Chapa asked if the ATV will be four wheel drive. Officer Brake responded yes. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego made a motion to enter in to an interlocal agreement with the Coastal Bend Council of Governments. Council member Gomez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

9. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ITEMS:**
A. PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

City Attorney Allen Lawrence opened the Public Hearing at 7:36 p.m. City Manager Carrillo said that one of the applications is an effort to leverage financing for water system improvements, while the other is for a comprehensive planning grant. The City is in desperate need of comprehensive planning documents. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego asked what the financial requirement was for the block grant. City Manager Carrillo explained that the CDBG has a low to moderate income requirement. Usually it requires a match but the City tries to get as much in kind as possible. Annette Barginer with GrantWorks explained that the water system resolution required a \$60,000 cash match. One project that was being considered were water improvements on Gile Avenue, which would a resubmission of a previous project. City Manager Carrillo explained that those improvements were important for developing the north side of town. Commissioner Chaney offered assistance with county right-of-way and that he could bring it before county commissioners' court. City Manager Carrillo added that she had meetings with all three commissioners' courts, which went well. The public hearing was closed at 7:40 p.m.

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. (\$300,000.00 – WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND UPGRADES)

Motion Made By: Council member Hyatt
Seconded By: Council member Gomez
Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: Council member Hyatt made a motion approving a resolution to authorize the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application for water system improvements and upgrades. Council member Gomez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

C. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. (\$55,000.00 – COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING)

Motion Made By: Council member Hyatt
Seconded By: Council member Gomez
Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: Council member Hyatt made a motion approving a resolution to authorize the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application for comprehensive planning. Council member Gomez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDER AND ACT ON AWARDING BID FOR THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS FLEET PURCHASE.

Motion Made By: Council member Hyatt
Seconded By: Mayor Pro Tem Abrego
Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo explained that part of the 2014 bond sale was replacement of city fleet vehicles. Two local bids were received, both competitive. Aransas Autoplex was the higher bidder. The bid was awarded to Allen Samuels. The package would include 22 vehicles with a 100,000 mile protection plan. Council member Hyatt asked how all of the vehicles were 4-wheel drives. City Manager Carrillo explained that most of the vehicles were for Public Works. Council member Hyatt commented that the City could have saved money by not having all 4-wheel drive vehicles. City Manager Carrillo said that staff was looking at financing but if two extra vehicles could be garnered, staff would take a look. Council member Hyatt made a motion to award Allen Samuels for the purchase of fleet vehicles. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Chapa asked how long it would take for the vehicles to arrive. Staff responded 6-8 weeks.

11. CONSIDER AND ACT ON ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH M. BAZAN FOR SAFETY TRAINING FOR PUBLIC WORKS STAFF FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.

Motion Made By: Mayor Pro Tem Abrego
Seconded By: Council member Hyatt
Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo explained that safety training was sorely needed for Public Works staff. The \$10,000 amount is only an initial expending on twelve initial modules on safety awareness. There is a desperate need on these twelve modules. Mr. Bazan is doing training for the City of McAllen. Staff is having to do tests later this week. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego made a motion to enter into an agreement with M. Bazan for safety training. Council member Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDER AND ACT ON FIRE DEPARTMENT ITEMS:
A. PURCHASE OF METRO FIRE TRUCK WITH SERIES 2015 BOND MONIES.
B. BAUER COMPRESSOR FOR SELF CONTAINED BREATHING APPARTUS' (SCBA's) AND SCUBA BOTTLES.
C. MSA PACKS, FACE PIECES AND CARBON CYLINDERS.

Motion Made By: Council member Ellis
Seconded By: Council member Hyatt
Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo explained that the items were approved in the last budget cycle. This allowed the City to replace desperately needed items. Council member Ellis made a motion to approve the items in agenda item 12. Council member Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDER AND ACT ON BUILDING DEPARTMENT ITEMS:
A. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REQUEST OF SAM AND CAROL LE & SYLVIA TANG (RECYCLING OF ARANSAS PASS, INC.) FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (ZONING ORDINANCE USE TABLES: 10-214

STORAGE, PROCESSING & COMMERCIAL USES: USE #213 SALVAGE & RECLAMATION). THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED (GB) GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT.

City Attorney Lawrence opened the public hearing at 7:48 p.m. The Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval. All proper notices have been given. Property owner Sam Le came before council. Chris Coulter spoke on behalf of the property owners, explaining that their business is next to his. The property owners have cleaned the place up considerably. P&Z requested that a 6 ft or 8 ft privacy fence would be placed all around the property. There will be a cantilever gate for traffic, and the property owners have already started to do landscaping. One of the main concerns is the possibility of the fence being tagged with graffiti. Mr. Coulter said that the owners were very nice neighbors and that he'd love to see them stay where they are at. He also mentioned there was poison sumac in area. The public hearing was closed at 7:53 p.m.

B REQUEST OF SAM AND CAROL LE & SYLVIA TANG (RECYCLING OF ARANSAS PASS, INC.) FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (ZONING ORDINANCE USE TABLES: 10-214 STORAGE, PROCESSING & COMMERCIAL USES: USE #213 SALVAGE & RECLAMATION). THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED (GB) GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT.

Motion Made By: Council member Ellis

Seconded By: Council member Hyatt

Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

City Attorney Lawrence reminded the council that P&Z recommended a 12 month conditional permit but needs the council to determine the size of fence. It would be a wood screening fence. Council member Ellis made a motion to approve a 12 month conditional permit and requiring the property owner to build a 6 ft. privacy fence. Council member Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

C PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REQUEST OF BILLY & BRANDY CHAMBERS TO RE-ZONE FROM (R7B) SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO A (MH) MANUFACTURED HOME DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS. THE PROPERTY IS DESCRIBED BURTON & DANFORTH S/D, BLOCK 214, LOT 15, ACRES 5.0, 1515 W. MOORE AVE., ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED (R7B) SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT.

City Attorney Lawrence opened the public hearing at 7:55 p.m. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denial. Property owner Brandy Chambers explained that her parents had purchased the property in October of last year. They had lived in Aransas County for years. The property was purchased to build a home once again. They found out RVs were no longer allowed in single family zoned area. She would like to stay in her travel trailer while at home. She is looking at getting one RV to be approved. They do not have any city utilities. The road they live on is on the county line. There are several people on the road who have the same thing. The property has been kept up. She said she supported the cleanup of Aransas Pass. She asked for a temporary permit to allow her to live there until a permanent residence was built. City Manager Carrillo responded that her last remarks had not been part of the discussion. If they are indeed wanting a permanent structure, house plans are needed. The City is not allowing those structures in residential areas. City Attorney Lawrence added that he recommended to council to go with the P&Z decision but the property owners could come back with house plans and a conditional use permit. Ms. Chambers said that she didn't know this was an option. Construction is ongoing in the mobile home where her parents live. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego asked if the mobile home where the parents lived was being considered. City Manager Carrillo responded yes, it was grandfathered. The public hearing was closed at 8:01 p.m.

D REQUEST OF BILLY & BRANDY CHAMBERS TO RE-ZONE FROM (R7B) SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO A (MH) MANUFACTURED HOME DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS. THE PROPERTY IS DESCRIBED BURTON & DANFORTH S/D, BLOCK 214, LOT 15, ACRES 5.0, 1515 W. MOORE AVE., ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED (R7B) SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT.

Motion Made By: Council member Ellis

Seconded By: Council member Hyatt

Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Council member Ellis made a motion to deny the request. Council member Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

E.AMENDING 5.2.1 OF THE ARANSAS PASS MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING (K) – TERMITE INSPECTION REQUIRED

Motion Made By: Council member Ellis

Seconded By: Council member Gomez

Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

City Manager Carrillo explained that the item was brought to her attention by members of community and a council member. A termite inspection is only required for commercial properties currently. This would require termite inspection at residences as well. Council member Ellis made a motion to approve the item. Council member Gomez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

F AMENDING 5.2.1(B) OF THE ARANSAS PASS MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING "FEES FOR INSPECTION SERVICES IN THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION – (ETJ)"

Motion Made By: Council member Ellis

Seconded By: Council member Gomez

Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

City Manager Carrillo said that this effort was an attempt of a peace offering with neighboring counties. Inspection fees outside the city limits would be reduced to \$350.00. It is really in their best interest to let us inspect. Council member Hyatt asked if the number of inspections was determined. City Manager Carrillo explained that Building Official Michael Holmes was lumping inspections together. He is out there a minimal amount of times but he is making sure everything matches. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego asked what residents normally paid. City Manager Carrillo responded that for new construction based on square footage, usually about \$1,100.00. Council member Ellis made a motion to approve the item. Council member Gomez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

12. CITY MANAGER UPDATES: CITY COUNCIL OF THE YEAR TCMA AWARD

City Manager Carrillo said that she would be nominating the council for TCMA City Council of the Year. Mayor Chapa added this was his first term and first time to run for office. It has been a great opportunity and he likes to make himself available at any time. The door is always open, and it has been a pleasure to serve the City of Aransas Pass. Commissioner Chaney also added that the City Council of the Year award is about the highest honor a council can receive.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE: POLICE DEPARTMENT; FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Discussion: Finance Director Cox presented the end of November financial statement unaudited. Income was low. Tax money should come in end of the month. Expenses are in line where they are supposed to be. The taxation department at 27% and the funds are allocated to different counties quarterly. The sanitation fund looks leaner. The sanitation fund has been combined with the citizen collection fund. The Aquatics fund had residual income. Harbor expenses are a little higher than normal because bulkhead work. Mayor Chapa thanked Finance Director Cox for all of her hard work.

13. RECESS OPEN MEETING AND RETIRE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551 OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.

Mayor Chapa recessed the Open Meeting and retired to Executive Session at 8:15 PM.

A. SECTION 551.074 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING PERSONNEL– CITY MANAGER SYLVIA CARRILLO - CONTRACT

B. SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING REAL PROPERTY – CONN BROWN HARBOR – HAL JONES

C. SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING REAL PROPERTY – CONN BROWN HARBOR – WELL ROCK, LTD

14. RECONVENE IN OPEN MEETING AND CONSIDER AND ACT ON FINDINGS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Chapa reconvened the Open Meeting at 10:15 PM. Council member Gomez left at 9:00 P.M.

A. SECTION 551.074 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING PERSONNEL– CITY MANAGER SYLVIA CARRILLO - CONTRACT

Motion Made By: Council member Hyatt

Seconded By: Mayor Pro Tem Abrego

Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: Council member Hyatt made a motion to award City Manager Carrillo \$25,000 bonus payable at her discretion and her salary would remain the same. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

B. SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING REAL PROPERTY – CONN BROWN HARBOR – HAL JONES.

Discussion: No action was taken

C. SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING REAL PROPERTY – CONN BROWN HARBOR – WELL ROCK, LTD

Discussion: **No action was taken.** A city council meeting regarding harbor deliberations would be held on Thursday, December 18 at 7:00 p.m.

15. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.

Motion Made By: Hyatt

Seconded By: Ellis

Votes: Aye Hyatt, Ellis, Abrego, Chapa

Discussion: Council member Hyatt made a motion to adjourn. Council member Ellis seconded the motion and the motion carried. Mayor Chapa adjourned the meeting at 10:13 p.m.

Adan Chapa, Mayor

Attest:

Yvonne Stonebraker, City Secretary

